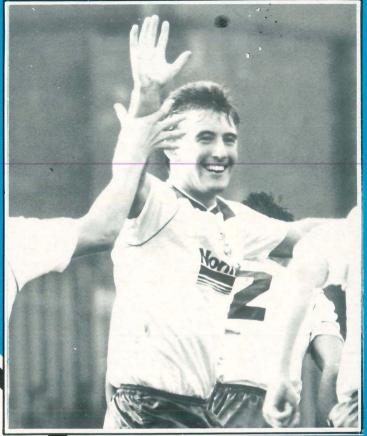


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# Notes from the boss....

The performance by the lads last weekend against Sheffield Utd. was just what I was asking for, a solid all round team effort was given and the players now realize that every point has to be earned. We are playing more as a team and Steve Thompson's second goal emphasized that, with lan Stevens beating players and looking around for team mates in better positions before spotting Tommo coming into the area and he finished it off superbly.

Tuesday night's match at Swansea was something of a lottery with heavy rain during the match making conditions atrocious. The referee consulted both captains after half-time and with the score level at that time it was decided to play on, although personally I thought the referee should have made the decision. It is now up to the players to bounce back and put that result behind them beginning with this afternoon's visit of Blackpool.

Sam Ellis' team had a good win mid-week and will be no pushover but if we can create an atmosphere like we had last weekend with nearly 7,000 Bolton fans then that will raise the players spirits.

We have difficult fixtures coming up against Port Vale and Wolves but if we can keep building on what we have achieved so far we will do alright. Competition for places is healthy and players realize they have to perform week in and week out otherwise somebody will take their opportunity to get in the side.

Finally a word for the Youth team which went down on Monday night in a replay at home to Huddersfield. After doing well in the first game, they came down to earth at Burnden after making a couple of mistakes. Steve Carroll, the Wanderers Youth coach, will pick them up and no doubt have them fired up to defend the L.F.A. Cup later this season.



### **Burnden** Visitors



Sam Ellis, the Blackpool manager who has taken the club in recent seasons from re-election areas of the Fourth Division to potential promotion hopefuls in the Third has assembled a talented looking squad. Big money sic.ings Andy Garner from Derby and Russell Coughlin from Plymouth have blended in well with summer signings Shaun Elliott (Norwich), Dave Burgess (Grimsby) and former Wanderer Chris Thompson (Wigan). No strangers to the Bolton public are team captain Mick Walsh and goalkeeper Barry Siddall who have made nearly 1,000 League appearances between them.

Confidence will have been lifted after last weeks tremendous victory over Sheff. Wed. in the first leg of the Littlewoods Cup giving them a great chance for the second leg at Hillsborough next week. League form has not been as consistent with recent defeats against Lancashire neighbours Preston and Wigan. Blackpool have some exciting youngsters making their way into the team, with Mark Bradshaw, Neil Matthews, Stephen Morgan and Michael Davies all names to watch for in the future.

Last season they finished tenth, after a poor start to the season which saw them lying in 18th place by the end of October, only two defeats followed to the end of January but the push was not maintained and gates went down to under 3,000 for the final three home games. A good run was achieved in the F.A. Cup before eventually going out in the fourth round to Man. City.

#### **PEN PICTURES**

BARRY SIDDALL: A vastly experience Goalkeeper, joined Blackpool after a previous spell on loan with the Club. Barry is 6'1", and has made over 600 league appearances, 83 for the Seasiders. Previous Clubs are Sunderland, Port Vale Stoke City, Bolton Wanderers, Darlington (Loan), Tranmere Rovers (Loan), Manchester City (Loan).

RICHARD POWELL: Son of former Manchester City keeper, Ron Powell. Took the first team position on several occasions when Barry Siddall was injured. Richard is 19 and was born in Chesterfield. He has made 34 appearances for Blackpool, including Central Leaoue fixtures.

MARK BRADSHAW: One of the products of Blackpool's Youth Policy, made his first team debut towards the end of 86/87 season. Takes his place in defence. Born in Ashton-under-Lyne. Aged 19, Mark has made 23 appearances both league and cup, and 26 Central League appearances scoring 4 goals.

NEIL MATTHEWS: Astylish former apprentice taking his place as a full back or central defender. Recently made an appearance with the Northern Ireland Under 21 squad. Has made 52 league and cup appearances with 7 Central League.

COLIN METHVEN: Experienced Scottish central defender. Former Clubs are East Fife and Wigan Athletic. 525 League and Cup appearances, 86 of which he made for the Seasiders, since joining the Club in the close of 86/87 season. He has scored 47 league and cup goals.

MICHAEL WALSH: Team captain. Signed for Blackpool from Manchester City. His previous appointments include appearing as an Eire International, and playing in the higher divisions for Everton and Bolton. Michael takes his place in defence. He has made 355 league and cup appearances 154 for Blackpool since joining in 1984.

STEPHEN MORGAN: Manchester born and an excellent product of the Clubs Youth Policy. Stephen recently completed a tour in Brazil with the England U-21 squad. He has made 70 league and cup appearances scoring 6 goals. He is a strong defender/midfielder.

MICHAEL DAVIES: 22 year old full back/winger, who came through the Youth Team to establish himself as a regular in the first team. Voted Player of the Year 87/88 season by the Black-pool Football Supporters Club. Michael has made 141 league and cup appearances for Blackpool.

CRAIGMADDEN: Signed from West Bromwich Albion for £50,000 in 1987. Born in Manchester and his first Club was Bury for whom he played 297 games producing 129 goals. Since joining the Seasiders he had made 59 league and cup appearances with 15 goals.

TONY CUNNINGHAM: Jamaican born striker from Newcastle United, purchased for a tribunal fixed fee of £25,000. He had made 301 league and cup appearances scoring 66 goals. Previous Clubs include Lincoln City, Barnsley, Sheffield Wednesday and Manchester City.

KEITH WALWYN: Signed from York City in 1987, for a fee of £35,000. Keith was born in Jamaica. His previous Clubs were York City and Chesterfield. He has scored 132 goals and has made over 290 league and cup appearances, 44 for the Seasidars.

MARK TAYLOR: Joined Blackpool on a free transfer from Hartlepool United in 1986. He quickly made his mark as a fast and trick winger. 1987/88 season saw him collect the Top Coalscorers Award from the Blackpool Football Supporters Club, with a tally of 23 goals. He has made a total of 142 league and cup appearances, 92 for Blackpool.

### Burnden Visitors

RUSSELL COUGHLIN: Joined Blackpool from Plymouth Argyle in December 1987, for a fee of £75,000. His former Clubs include Manchester City, Blackburn and Carlisle. In total he has made over 330 league and cup appearances, 44 for Blackpool. He is a solid midfielder: born in Swansea.

MIKE LESTER: Is a well traveled midfield player. His former clubs include Oldham, Manchester City, Stockport County, Washington D, Grimsby, Barnsley and Scunthorpe. Came to Blackpool after a spell in Sweden. 14 League and cup appearances with one goal for the Seasiders.

CHRIS THOMPSON: Signed for the Seasiders in July 88, from Wigan. Chris is a midfield/forward player; born in Walsall, in the West Midlands. Former Clubs are Bolton, Lincoln (Loan) and Blackburn Rovers. He has made over 200 league appearances with 56 goals.

SHAUN ELLIOTT: Signed from Norwich City in July 88. His first Club was Sunderland for whom he made 321 league appear-

ances. Born in Haltwhistle.

DAVE BURGESS: Signed for a tribunal fixed fee of £30,000 from Grimsby Town. Dave is a utility defender, born in Liverpool. His first Club was Tranmere Rovers for whom he made 218 appearances.

IAN GORE: Joined the Seasiders from Birmingham City last season. Born in Liverpool in 1968. He has made 10 appearances in the Central League for Blackpool during last season.

SIMON ROONEY: Recently signed professional contracts for Blackpool, after successfully completing his apprenticeship with the Club. Simon made his debut in the first team last season. He is establishing himself as a good utility player, and made 22 Central League appearances scoring four goals in the 87/88 season.

JOHN DEARY: Regular member of the Clubs first team since his apprentice days in 1979. John takes his place in midfield and has made 263 league appearances.



Back Row: Mike Lester, Ian Gore, Sean Elliott, Colin Methven, Simon Rooney, Dave Burgess.

Middle Row: Bob Ward (Physio), John Deary, Steve Morgan, Richard Powell, Keith Walwyn, Barry
Siddall, Tony Cunningham, Mark Bradshaw, Mick Docherty (Coach).

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## MATCH REPORT

#### SPOTLIGHT ON THREE

Only the Wolves v Port Vale encounter at Molyneaux last Saturday attracted more than the Burnden attendance, where Steve Bull rescued the home side in the 88th minute to share the spoils in a six goal thriller.

Over 9,000 fans turned up here at Burnden for the visit of table toppers Sheffield United and when lan Stevens was tripped in the penalty area, Steve Thompson slotted home the 26th minute spot-kick to rock the visitors. It was Thompson again in the 51st minute who rounded off a fine build up with a clinically taken goal, with young Stevens again being the provider.

At Preston a Brazil last minute penalty gave the home side a 3-2 victory over Southend.

Lively Northampton scored a 6-0 rout over bottom placed Aldershot to finish as the leagues highest scorers on the day.

Last Tuesday, we traveled to Swansea hoping to build on Saturday's victory but Robbie James had other ideas, scoring the only goal of the game for the Welsh team.

Today's visitors had a fine 3-1 win in mid week over a strong Northampton outfit. Former Wanderers winger Mark Gavin, now playing back in England after his £35,00 transfer from Hearts, took only 85 seconds to put Bristol City in front against Gillingham and this was enough to secure maximum points for his new Club.

Neighbours Wigan visited bottom club Aldershot in midweek and were defeated 3-1. It was the first match the 'Shots' had won since April.

Snippets on mid-week games in Division 4 is that 9,000 fans turned up at Turf Moor to witness

the top of the table clash with Rotherham. It took a 74th minute winner by former Wanderer, George Oghani, to settle the issue for Burnley to take over top spot. Another former Wanderer, Neil Matthews, scored one of the Halifax goals in their 4-0 win over Wrexham.

Nice to see neighbours Rochdale having their best run of late. After defeating Crewe 2-1 at Spotland last weekend they traveled to Hartlepool in mid week and their 1-0 victory hoists them to third spot.

#### A ROUND UP ON ONE AND TWO

Newcastle sprung the surprise of the day in Division 1 last Saturday. It took a Mirandinha 83rd minute penalty at Anfield to shatter Liverpool's 18 month unbeaten home record. In their first season ever in the top flight, Millwall made history in beating London rivals Q.P.R. 3-2 at the Den to head the First Division.

Everton's 2-1 defeat at Wimbledon caused the Press media to pin point Goodison boss, Colin Harvey as possibly being replaced.

Man. United traveled to White Hart Lane to hold Spurs 2-2.

In Division 2 Man. City, after an indifferent start to the season, now seem to be finding their feet, this time beating Blackburn 1-0 at Maine Road watched by 22,000 fans.

Stan. Matthews, now back in England, watched from the stands to see his 'old' club Stoke beat Bournemouth 2-1 at the Victoria ground.



### **BEHIND THE SCENES**

Monday, 10th October, is the nextmeeting of the H.B. Junior Whites with the kick-off being 6.30 p.m. Various Wanderers players will be in attendance and the junior Whites as usual will be left in the capable hands of organizers Carolyn McGuffie and Liz Mason.

These monthly meetings are always a great night so if you are not already enrolled contact either Carolyn or Liz on 24518 for further details.



Carolyn can now be found weekdays in the Club Shop and can be contacted there regarding any Junior Whites information.

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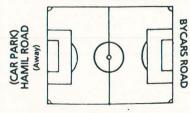
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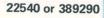
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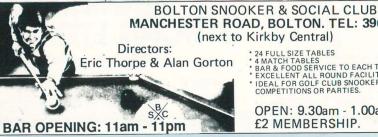
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### DAYS GONE BY

5 YEARS AGO: Two Tony Caldwell goals put the Wanderers into the driving seat at Exeter City but the home side bounced back to win a point by scoring twice in the last eight minutes.

Late goals cost Bolton for the second successive week when Newport County won 3-2 at Burnden. Tony Caldwell and Jeff Chandler had given the Wanderers the lead after Linden Jones had opened the scoring for the Welshmen. With two minutes remaining Tony Reid equalized and in injury time Toy Carter fired home the winner.

After the game the Wanderers signed George Oghani from Hyde United.

10 YEARS AGO: Bolton fought back from a goal down to defeat Leeds United 3-1 at Burnden Park. Arthur Graham put United in front two minutes before half time but second half goals from Willie Morgan, Brian Smith and Frank Worthington was the ideal pick-me-up after the League Cup defeat at Exeter.

Two Alan Gowling goals and a Frank Worthington penalty goal gave the Wanderers a comfortable half time lead at Chelsea. The Londoners hit back in the 76th minute through Tommy Langley then further goals from Kenny Swain and Clive Walker leveled matters before an own goal from Sam Allardyce in injury time completed Bolton's misery.

15 YEARS AGO: There was no giant killing at Spotland where the Wanderers crushed Rochdale 4-0 in a League Cup tie. Stuart Lee and Paul Jones put Bolton two up inside 18 minutes and second half goals from Lee again and Alan Waldron sewed up a comfortable win.

Two Alun Evans goals were enough to give Aston Villa the points at Burnden despite a late reply from substitute Neil Whatmore.

100 YEARS AGO: Bolton played two games in three days against clubs from the Potteries. Firstly Stoke came to Pikes Lane for a league game which the Wanderers won 2-1 thanks to an own goal. On the following Monday afternoon the Wanderers traveled down to Cobridge for a friendly with Port Vale which resulted in a 3-1 win for the home

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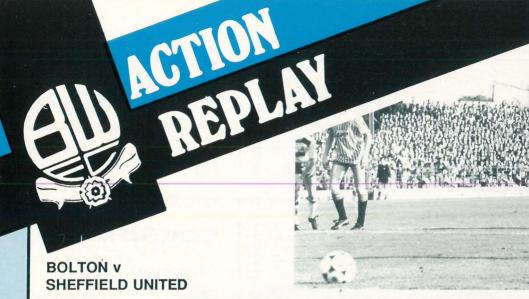
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Top Right: Julian Darby heads for goal.

Bottom Left: Trevor Morgan on the attack

Bottom Right: Steve Thompson slots in Bolton's and his 2nd goal.



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1988-89 will see The Football Trust increase its commitment by investing further sums in closed circuit television, transport facilities for supporters and projects to bring Football League clubs closer to their local community.

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### RESERVE AND YOUTH NEWS

13th September, 1988.
Rotherham United Res....2
Bolton Wanderers Res.....2

A larger than average central league crowd at Millmoor, due to the sale of Littlewoods cup tie tickets, whipped up some atmosphere for a game that swung from end to end.

Dave Tomlinson fired United in front after 17 minutes from a direct free kick but eleven minutes later the Wanderers were level when Nicky Brookman set up lan Steven to shoot home from close in.

In first half injury time Jeff Chandler put Bolton in front with a clever chip from a wide position on the edge of the penalty area.

The more experienced Wanderers side began to lose their way during the second half creating a number of problems for themselves with poor distribution and sloppy defensive play.

It was from one such mistake that Clive Mendonca latched on to, only to be brought down by Gareth Gray in a one against one situation, Mendonca converted the penalty himself fourteen minutes from time.

**Team:** Gray, Brown, O'Brien, Spooner, Keeley, Crombie, Brookman, Callaghan, Morgan, Stevens, Chandler. Subs: Hughes, Jeffrey.

21st September, 1988. Bolton Wanderers Res. . . . 5 Darlington Res. . . . . . . . . 1

The Wanderers produced some stirring entertainment to follow up the previous evenings five goal thriller with Fulham.

Despite having more of the play during the first half it was Darlington who took the lead when in the 38th minute Gary Hyde capitalized after the Wanderers had lost possession in their own half.

Phil Neal was the instigator of the Wanderers equalizer, having come on to the field as substitute for the injured Paddy Halligan after 20 minutes, he stamped his influence on a stirring second half recovery.

Nicky Brookman received a cutting pass from Neil before sending a swerving left foot shot into the net for the Wanderers equalizer in the 59th minute.

Two minutes later lan Stevens pressurized the Darlington defence to nip in and put the Wanderers in front. A spectacular headed own goal from Mike Jeffrey and Ian Stevens completed the rout.

**Team:** Gray, Hughes, O'Brien, Spooner, Crombie, Halligan, Storer, Fisher, Stevens, Jeffrey, Brookman. Subs: Neil, Moran.





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### SAFE HANS

What a tremendous day last Saturday was, a marvelous 2-0 win and a crowd of over 9,000, it was a joy to see. Sheffield came to attack as expected but the Whites really put them in their place and sent the Burnden faithful home happy. It's good to see the midfield players all chipping in with goals and certainly Steve Thompson's second goal was a peach. When you looked at the results in general last weekend you could never have thought that Newcastle would win at Liverpool, especially after losing 3-0 at Sheffield Utd. earlier that same week. If that form guide applied, you must think that Bolton would beat Liverpool. Let's just hope in a couple of seasons time that might be the case.

Getting back to the job in hand and this afternoon's encounter with old rivals Black-pool, who feature Bolton old boys in Barry Siddall, Mick Walsh and Chris Thompson who all served the Wanderers well in their respective spells with the club. Today's clash is sure to attract another large crowd because of the tradition and rivalry between the clubs, the football is always full of passion and this

fixture is always one to look out for in the football calendar.

Congratulations to Mark Winstanley who was voted Player of the Month by the Ben/HB award system. Mark has certainly been a model of consistency and has been repaying the faith put into him by manager Phil Neal. The back four this season have been playing so well as a unit and it shows when injuries have occurred that the players waiting for a chance have taken their opportunities well. Summer signings Phil Brown and Barry Cowdrill have settled in very well and proved what good signings they were and Glen Keeley has shown what a good experienced footballer is made of since his recent move from Oldham.

On closing this week, it was sad to see the first casualty of the season when Billy Bremner was sacked as manager of Leeds. He followed the same way as fellow ex stars Allan Clarke and Eddie Gray, who tried desperately to put Leeds back in the big time. Looking the other week when 26,000 packed into Elland Road for the visit of Chelsea, the faithful are still there, but who will next be given a chance in the hot chair where only one thing will be asked . . . to win promotion? I wouldn't like to guess.



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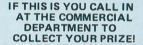
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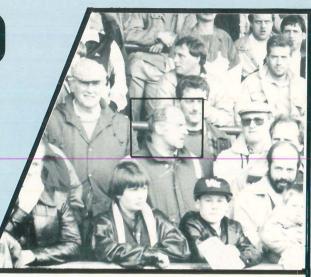
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### RECOLLECTIONS

Blackpool will be looking to keep up their impressive league form at Burnden which has seen them lose only three times on their last eleven visits each by a one goal margin.

This is something of a contrast to the Seasiders early visits to Burnden which commenced on 1st January 1904 with a 3-0 defeat, Bolton's goals coming from Sam Marsh, David Stokes and Bill Yenson.

It was on their sixth visit that Blackpool first savoured a win at Burnden and this came in a First Division encounter in December 1931.

Meanwhile at Bloomfield Road the Wanderers could do no wrong and they went undefeated there on thirteen trips and two FA Cup ties to boot before going down 1-0 in February 1949. The pendulum then swung as this began a run of six visits to Blackpool in which the Wanderers failed to find the net.

During the 1960's Blackpool became something of a bogey team to the Wanderers and this continued into the next decade until 1977/78 season. Then Bolton completed the double with a 2-0 win at Blackpool, and a 2-1 home success that kept them

at the top of the Second Division. Blackpool however, who had been in the top six at Christmas, slumped and were eventually relegated with only one win in the last fifteen games sending them into the Third Division for the first time.

The 1980's have seen four league games between the two clubs. The two encounters at Bloomfield Road have ended in 1-1 draws although it was the Wanderers who broke the deadlock to open the scoring in each game.

At Burnden in March 1986 the Wanderers fought back to equalize thanks to a Steve Thompson goal only to concede two goals in the last five minutes.

Blackpool's last visit was in October 1986 when once again Thompson was on the mark this time after only nine minutes but it proved enough to win the game.

Our League record against Blackpool is as follows:-

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Total 78 32 21 25 111 92



Steve Thompson's equaliser in March 1986.

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### **NATS DIARY**

### A REVIEW OF NATS INTERNATIONAL CAREER

### 18th MAY, 1952.

#### ITALY 1 v ENGLAND 1

No.6

England began their end of season European tour by drawing 1-1 with Italy in Florence.

Unfortunately the game was a poor one but the Italian crowd didn't help matters treating it as a battle rather than a football match with empty bottles flying through the air towards the pitch. The provoking tactics of the home side were also allowed to go unpunished by a referee who was unable to control the affair.

England led at half time with a goal from inside right Broadis, in the fourth minute, but Amadei, the Italian inside left, equalized 18 minutes after the interval. A draw, perhaps, was the fairest result, though the Italians may be counted a trifle unlucky not to have gained their first win over England.

Spectacular goalkeeping by Moro in the early stages was possibly the turning point of the match. England were well on top for the first half an hour and with a second goal may well have gone on to victory.

As it was the Italians improved gradually and gained the upper hand. Territorially they had more of the play and the England defence was often severely pressed. They also had more goal scoring chances than England and if their forwards had been a little more steady in

front of goal, they would have been on level terms at least by the interval.

Centre forward Piola, the Italian captain, missed an easy chance from close in, less than a minute before half time. On the other hand Lofthouse was so surprised to receive a chance that he too missed a glorious opportunity.

England's build up play didn't suit Nat as both Pearson and Broadis continued to play to the wing. The outcome was that when the ball eventually came into the penalty area it was met with a massed Italian defence with Lofthouse outnumbered, outpushed and outpulled with little or no chance of getting to it.

The attendance of 94,000 paid a then European receipt record of £55,000 to see the game. The teams were:

ENGLAND: Merrick (Birmingham), Ramsay (Spurs), Garrett (Blackpool), Wright (Wolves)(Capt.), Froggatt (Portsmouth), Dickinson (Portsmouth), Finney (Preston), Broadis (Man. City), Lofthouse (Bolton), Pearson (Man. Utd.), Elliott (Burnley).

ITALY: Moro (Sampdoria), Giovanni (Inter), Manenti (Juventus), Mari (Juventus), Ferrario (Juventus), Pecinnini (Juventus), Boniperti (Juventus), Pandalfini (Florence), Piola (Navara)(Capt.), Amadei (Naples), Capello (Bologna).

# WHERE ARE THEY NOW



### RAY PARRY

ex Bolton, Blackpool & England

In Ray Parry, we have a star who will be remembered for having served both Bolton and Blackpool and sets us a poser from the outset. He is one of the few who has appeared for his country at every level starting his international career at schoolboy, then Youth, U-23 and finally gaining full international recognition. Off hand we cannot readily bring to mind any other player being able to boast this achievement, but we have an incline there may be.

Derby born Ray revealed, "As a schoolboy international obviously many Clubs were interested. I could have signed for Manchester United at the same era as David Pegg." But instead he was persuaded that his future lay at Burnden Park and he worked his way through the ranks to first team level as a natural left sided player initially in the No. 11 jersey before taking control of the No. 10 shirt.

Ray will be remembered as being a member of the 1958 F.A. Cup winning team, a team built by the late Bill Ridding for a mere £110. Of that victorious Final date at Wembley, Ray explained "Following the Munich disaster, national sympathy was with United and I can't remember really getting into the game and didn't have a particularly good day. I didn't get involved enough." But he added "We had a side that worked for each other and we won the day."

Ray Parry was notable for having a good left foot and many a 'keeper was aware that he liked to have a try from any distance. He recalled another Cup game at non-league Headington United (now Oxford) and treasures the goal he scored there in a 4-1 victory. He said, "I was some 35-40 yards out and stuck it in the back of the net."

Ray Parry joined Blackpool in 1962 for £25,000. He said, "The move came right out of the blue. Ron Suart was manager and Blackpool were a good First Division side with players like Jimmy Armfield, Tony Waiters, Roy Gratrix and Ray Charnley. I had four enjoyable seasons at Bloomfield Road but I then signed for Bob Stokoe at Bury."

Not many will know, but Ray Parry had a knack of scoring on his debut. He pointed out having scored on his England debut but confessed to this being from only two yards and did the same again for Bury against Bolton. He said, "I actually scored two that night against Bolton, but the referee disallowed one that was from a fair way out as well."

Ray had already planned his future in the newsagents business once his playing days had finished and has successfully run his Newport Street town centre shop for the past 16 years.

Because of business commitments he very rarely sees live football nowadays but confesses to be an avid follower of all the results. He still enjoys passing on tips to youngsters and coaches The Kearsley Manchester League side every Thursday evening. He attends Sportsman's Dinners, enjoys his round of golf and talking football with his shop customers. Of the modern game Ray says, "It's difficult to pass judgement. It's become more tactical but I don't think there's a lot wrong with the game."

# Personality Profile.

### NICKY BROOKMAN

This weeks Profile features young Nicky Brookman who already has packed in plenty of action in such a short time. Nicky represented both Cheshire and England Schoolboys and it was of no surprise when Aston Villa offered him a trial. He spent two months at Villa Park but they didn't offer him an apprenticeship so he moved down to Third Division Newport County on a two year YTS. At Newport at this time was a certain John Aldridge and Nicky used to clean his boots, "Yes, he gave me plenty of stick," commented Nicky. During his spell at Newport he suffered badly from home sickness and at the end of his two year YTS he turned down a full contract and took a chance he could get fixed up back home.

After writing to a number of clubs, Dixie McNeil, manager at Wrexham, offered him a contract and he moved to the Racecourse ground. He didn't stay long though and when Steve Carroll, the Wanderers Youth coach, offered him the chance to play for Bolton's Youth team he took it. Nicky played for the 'A' Team against Rochdale in a 2-2 draw but was released after the match and he thought that was it until three weeks later when he was asked to play for the Reserves against Bradford. Nicky recalls that match, "I was asked to mark Arthur Graham and I thought I did well." Next day he was offered a full contract and his Wanderers career began from there.

Nicky was to play a part in the Wanderers' successful Youth team which won the Lancashire Football Association Youth Cup, scoring the winning goal at Blackburn. He made his First team debut against Carlisle in a 2-0 home win and immediately went down well with the Burnden faithful. Although he played well coming into the team, relegation was not avoided and so last season Nicky knew he had to work hard and try to secure a quick move back to the Third Division.

Nicky played virtually all last season and contributed eight vital goals and it comes as no surprise to hear that 'promotion' is the highlight of his career so far. When asked who has helped him in his short career so far, he says "My Dad has helped a lot, plus Phil Neal and Mick Brown." You can tell Nicky has a sense of humour when asked about his team mates, for two highlights of his career are watching Dave Felgate train and seeing Trevor 'Chubby Brown' Morgan getting off his feet to head a ball.

This season Nicky is hoping to have an extended run in the team and his recent goal against Aldershot after coming on as sub won't have done his chances any harm at all. One final point, when asked about the up and coming youngsters at the club, Nicky said to look out for Youth team players Mick Jeffries and Alan Stubbs who are both doing well during their YTS stints.

### **LEAGUE** SCENE

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Mansfield	7	2	5	0	8	5	11	
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Brentford	7	3	2	2	7	8	11	
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